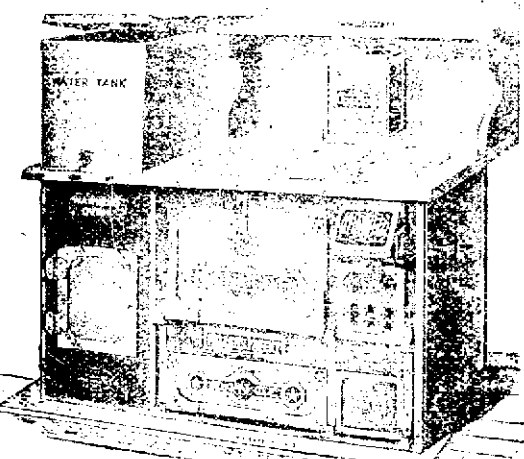


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MONDAY EVE, FEB. 4, 1889.

LOCAL NEWS.

WEDDING PRESENTS—You can find them at E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.'s. S. M. IRWIN sells pure drugs.
RECAPTIVATING the city council to-night.
"See" will be put on the stage in all her dramatic beauty Wednesday night.
The *Quiver* for February was issued Saturday.
CALL up Niedermeyer by telephone and order superior California fruits.
The popular Arion Quartet will sing at the Band concert Thursday night.
HARD coal, all sizes and best quality. Deal-3-dit F. D. CALDWELL.
THINK of it! Here it is February 4, in midwinter and the street sprinkler is making its rounds to lay the dust.
The Guards will meet this evening at the Armory at 7:45 o'clock.
SEE the great minstrel show to-morrow night—25 people.
The Forest Flower is the cigar you want.
MEETING of the state fair finance committee this evening at the office of Treasurer Steele.
PICKER'S Pleasant Purgative Pellets Possess Powerful Potency, Pass Painlessly, Promote Physical Prosperity.
The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Club will be held in the club rooms at 2 p. m. Tuesday, Feb. 5. Tickets for Mrs. Jennings Miller's lecture will be on sale.
WHITE FLOUR is sold by all leading grocers. It will suit you.
At the First M. E. Sunday school yesterday there were present 498 persons; the penny collection was \$5.11.
THE J. B. Bullard barn erected on the rear of his lot on West William street is 32 feet square. All of the hitching and un hitching will be done beneath the roof.
You will find the famous White Lost and Daily Bread flour at all complete grocery stores.
On Saturday Dr. Swain, of Decatur, and Dr. Joseph Ringer, of Monticello, delivered 100 head of cattle at Monticello belonging to S. W. Allerton, of Chicago, who has 3,500 on his farm in Platt county.
MR. N. L. KNOX, the pharmacist, desires to inform his friends that hereafter he will be found at King & Wood's drug store on North Water street, where he will be pleased to have them call when wanting anything in the drug line. 31d5
STEP in and see the opera book grocers, J. Lytle & Co., and select choice supplies for the table. Fresh butter a specialty.
FOR TWO WEEKS ONLY—Life-size Colored Portraits, \$5.00; Water Colors, \$7.00. Call at once. M. G. DUFFART, 30-45th New Deming Hotel.
A QUARTET of colored poker players were arrested Saturday night and put in the lockup. The outfit was captured. Two of the chaps that were "hooked" got out Sunday by furnishing bail. The entire party has concluded that it don't pay to gamble and get caught at it. They have resolved to reform.
FINNAN HADDIES, the finest smoked fish brought to this market, at 30-44 DINGES & CLOYD'S.
THE wind was from the north Sunday afternoon and to some men it looked as if we were certain at last to get a freeze-up, but this morning the balmy southern breezes again prevail with the mercury at about 40 degrees above zero.
REMEMBER that Hanks & Patterson on South Water street have a complete stock of good groceries, fresh butter and Baltimore oysters.
STOP at Johnson & Spence's complete grocery store on Merchant for reliable table supplies.
PICKETT goes right on selling the celebrated Haines and Everett pianos at the usual figures on easy terms.
You will find Moore Bros.'s at their grocery store in opera block. Call there for fresh butter, fruits and oysters.
Attention, Temperance Workers. A meeting of all citizens who feel an interest in an active temperance reform in this city is called at the W. C. T. U. Rooms, this (Monday) evening, at 7:30. Let all temperance people, men and women, consider themselves especially invited. By order of COMMITTEE.
The Beach & Bowers minstrel party played at Springfield Saturday night. The Journal of to-day says they gave a good entertainment. It was the rolliolecos sort, full of business, no taint between acts, not a hitch nor a minute to wait. There was much of the plantation style about it that is always enjoyable. The dancing was good and the acrobats and contortionists were very fine.
Sales of Real Estate. William L. Ferguson and B. W. Dille-hunt to Andrew Dennis, lot 8 block 1, A. E. Kinney's first addition—\$350.
John O. Myers to Margaret Sanders, 40 acres in 20, 16, 3—\$1,000.
Jane Ater to Daniel M. Good, 140 acres in 28, 16, 4—\$3,000.
You can never tell what a slight cold may do; it is best, therefore, to give yourself the benefit of the doubt, and cure it as soon as possible with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. A day's delay, sometimes an hour's delay, may result in serious consequences.

A letter from Mrs. S. F. Battelger, now residing at Spokane Falls, W. T. with her daughter, Mrs. George Dodson, written to Mrs. P. Perl, gives interesting news about the recent robbery of about \$600 worth of jewelry from the home of Mr. Dodson. A young man came to Mr. Dodson's jewelry store the other day to get a case for a pair of opera glasses. George inspected the glasses and found his wife's name engraved on the frame. He had the man arrested at once. He said he got the glasses from a colored man, whose room was searched. Nearly all of the stolen jewelry was found in a satchel which the colored man had hidden beneath the mattress of his bed. The trial of the two men will come off at the next term of court. Mr. Dodson believes he will implicate a gang of thieves in the robbery.

Went to Church.
Sunday night the Westbrook jury attended services at the Universalist church and heard the pastor, Rev. Sophie Gibb, deliver his sermon on the "Uses of Religion." There was no allusion whatever to the trial.

State Fair Talk.
The meeting of the local finance committee at the county treasurer's office this evening will be one of special importance, as plans will be completed for the work of the soliciting of subscriptions. In addition to the \$15,000 voted by the county, it will be necessary to raise \$20,000 to \$25,000, the money to be used in fitting up the grounds. Most of it will be paid out for lumber and labor at home, so that those who make donations will get the money back again in a measure, while they will sow for the extra business harvest during the four years of the fair—it we get it and we all believe we will.

The general committee met Saturday night and selected the following committee to represent the claims of Decatur at the meeting of the State Agricultural Board at Springfield on February 19th, when the fair will be located: James Millikin, Theo. Nelson, V. Barber, Jason Rogers, John Ulrich, William Voorhies, J. G. Imboden, W. C. Johns, L. L. Haworth and Dr. H. C. Johns, of Decatur; R. H. Woodcock, of Macon; J. G. Willard, of Harrisburg; Wash Smith, of Mt. Zion; T. N. Leavitt, of Macon; D. P. Keller, of Macon; R. H. Hill and W. T. Moffett, of Decatur. The committee will probably go down on the 18th. They should place themselves in communication with the state board at once and labor with them every day until the 19th.

The Churches.
The special meetings at the Presbyterian church will continue through the present week. The meeting last night was well attended and was a season of general benefit.
Very large congregations assembled yesterday at Stupp's Chapel. There were twelve seekers at the altar during the day and eight conversions; four united with the church. Sixty-one have presented themselves at the altar during the meetings thus far, nearly all of whom have been blessed. Meetings continue this week.

Large congregations heard two fine sermons yesterday by Rev. James Miller at the First M. E. church. In the morning his subject was the words of Christ: "I must work the works of Him that sent Me while it is called to-day; for the night cometh when no man can work." In the evening he took for his subject "The Final Irreversibility of Human Character," which engaged the closest attention of his great audience. During the extra revival services just closed at this church about twenty conversions and thirty-seven accessions to the church are reported, nine persons being received into the church yesterday.

The services at the Baptist church were largely attended all day yesterday. At night there was an immense audience present, many standing during the service. Dr. Vosburgh preached a forceful sermon, in which he answered objections to a Christian life. At the close of the sermon three persons were baptized. Rev. J. W. Hawkins, of Lincoln, Ill., who is an excellent revivalist and a preacher of real power, will occupy the pulpit at the Baptist to-night. Be sure and hear him. Singing by the large chorus choir.

Clint Brodless Insane.
An inquisition was held this afternoon in the county court as to the alleged insanity of Clint M. Brodless, who was adjudged insane by the jury. Clint is a well known young man who has been in poor health for over a year. He will be given skilled medical treatment at the state asylum at once.

While splitting kindling Sunday evening at his home northeast of the city, James Clark had the misfortune to cut off two toes on his right foot with the ax. Dr. Hostetler attended him.

MR. JERRY MILLER, of Bardsdale, who lately lost two children by diphtheria and has another child ill with the same disease, has also had other serious misfortunes. Within the past three weeks three horses died of brain fever. One was Black Prince, the four year old Norman stallion, worth \$1,000; a 3 year old mare worth \$250; and a 3 year old horse worth \$150; total loss, \$1,400.

To-day Judge Vail relieved Judge Hughes of the necessity of going to Decatur to adjourn court for a week. He went to Monticello, adjourned court there for a week, and then went on to Danville where he will remain until Judge Hughes is relieved of his duties here. Consequently the Westbrook trial was resumed this forenoon promptly at 9 o'clock.

Soldiers don't fail to hear and see "Remembrances of the War." At alone will be worth the price of admission.

Coming.
The Charles Atkinson comedy company will appear Friday night at this lively dramatization, "Peck's Bad Boy." If you want to laugh see this comedy Friday night.

A. Warr is now the owner of the New Deming Hotel property, having purchased it from the heirs of John W. Priest, of Springfield, at a figure said to be \$18,000. The purchase does not include the rear building which is used for a dining room, laundry and kitchen. The hotel will continue to be in charge of Mr. O. F. Spaulding, whose lease extends for a year. No doubt Mr. Warr will eventually sell the property.
ROCK BALSAM, prepared and sold by S. M. Irwin, cures coughs and colds.

All "Dying Declaration" Evidence Ruled Out by Judge Hughes.

The Defense Gains a Great Point for the Prisoner—The Points at Issue.

The outcome of the Westbrook murder trial continues to be the all-absorbing theme of conversation about the city, at Blue Mound and in the vicinity of Grove City, in Christian county, where the youthful defendant was raised "in the brush," as one man said who had known him since his boyhood. The same gentleman stated that Westbrook had been an orphan since he was able to run about, and he had to hustle for himself. Not a year before the stabbing he said he had known the defendant, who had no home then, to remain out of doors all night one bitterly cold night. He had no place to sleep, and to keep from freezing to death he slept on the back of a horse in a shed, getting warmth from the animal. He shed off several times during the night, but crawled back again on the back of the horse, and when morning came he went to a public place where there was a fire. He made different arrangements the next night.

VICTORY FOR THE DEFENSE.
The submission of the evidence offered by the prosecution in the hope that Judge Hughes would allow the alleged dying statements of William Gross to go to the jury, terminated at 6 o'clock Saturday evening in a victory for the defense.

During the afternoon Judge Vail, who prosecuted the prisoner at the first trial, was put on the stand. He said there was no testimony then presented going to show that at any time Gross thought he was going to die. Edward Robinson on Sunday heard Gross say that he would never get well, but witness did not think he was dying. Charles Gross, Sr., father of the deceased, who was not a witness at the first trial, said that he had had a talk with his son the Monday after the stabbing and that William asked witness to give Sally (his wife) \$1,000, and that both sobbed. Witness thought his son would never get well. Didn't hear William say he was going to die until Monday, when he said Westbrook had stabbed him without cause. Sylvester Wilson, who sat up with Gross four hours Sunday night, testified that Gross told him about the fight, and said he stepped up to Westbrook at the engine, and asked him if he wrote that letter. "He turned around and stabbed me. I then knocked him down and gave him a hell of a good beating." Didn't say anything about dying then. The family had retired. Believe that somebody was with me that night. There were no expressions made by Gross that he thought he was going to die. This was all the evidence to brace up the dying statement claim that the People had to offer.

The defense introduced Dr. Thrasher, a minister of the gospel, who was a justice of the peace and lawyer at Blue Mound the day of the tragedy. He and E. T. Clements, a notary public, went to Gross' house to get a written statement from Gross about the stabbing, to be used at the preliminary examination of Westbrook. Dr. Thrasher put the questions to Dr. Harvey who repeated them to Gross. Don't know whether Gross thought he was going to die or not. Made the statement being of E. T. Clements testified to having sworn Gross to the statement he took down for Dr. Thrasher. Gross was very weak, but I didn't think he was dying; thought his condition was dangerous, and that he might die soon. He answered all questions asked him. On the cross-examination witness identified the statement he took that day. (Gross had stated that Westbrook had cut him with a knife and without cause.) Dr. A. C. Foster testified that he had assisted Dr. Harvey. Did not regard the wound as necessarily fatal. Didn't hear any talk between James and Gross in Dutch, and observed nothing to indicate that Gross thought he was dying. There was no minister called, and did not see any stimulants given Gross. Thought he would live at least three days. E. T. Moffett, supervisor of Blue Mound township, testified that he was on the Wabash train going home the Saturday after the first trial, and Charles Gross, Sr., sat in the seat in front of him. He heard Gross say that if he would let him go to his home he would hang. Circuit Clerk McClellan identified the bill of exceptions at the first trial, and from these Attorney Mills read the questions put to Henry Schwab at the first trial, when he replied to the inquiry if Gross said anything to him when he came into his saloon, "He did not." This witness had testified at the pending trial that Gross said to him, "This kills me." Mr. Mills informed the court that he had desired to put Dr. D. T. Kyrer, of Macon, on the stand, that he had been subpoenaed, and that he had positively refused to come. He asked for an attachment for him. He stated by request of the court that he expected to show by Dr. Kyrer that he at no time considered Gross in a dying condition.

THE ARGUMENTS.
A. G. Webber, acting state's attorney, reviewed the testimony presented bearing on the dying declarations, and tried to convince the court that Gross must have believed he was going to die. He thought that this fact had been clearly demonstrated. He was followed by I. A. Buckingham, who had gone over to his office after six law books from which he read Texas, New York, Tennessee, Indiana and other decisions bearing on the character of dying statements and their admissibility. Before doing so, however, he referred to the evidence and described the meeting between father and son, as the son lay upon the bed, and he did it in a very affecting manner, using his striped handkerchief repeatedly to wipe the tears from his eyes. He dwelt upon the scene at length, advancing his opinion that beyond all doubt Gross had believed he was going to die. Then some fine points were drawn as to the condition a man must be in when he has reason to believe that he is going to die so that any statement he makes will be weight of an oath. He held that Gross must have believed that death was impending.

I. R. Mills, for the prisoner, prefaced his remarks by making a cutting allusion to the prospects of a sentence at the state standing up before a judge and shedding tears for the blood of a man on trial for a crime. He had seen attorneys for the prisoner make such a tender exhibition, but this was the first time in his professional career he had ever seen a prosecutor shed tears. Mr. Mills in addressing himself to the points at issue made a very able and clear-cut argument. It was well arranged, thoughtful and effective. He effectively controverted the position taken by Mr. Buckingham whom he criticized for having gone out of his own state and away from the supreme court decision in the very case now on trial for decisions on points to gain the admission of the alleged dying statements. Picking up Illinois decisions, Mr. Mills read the opinions defining the law, which is that a dying declaration is one that is made when the declarant believes that death is immediately at hand and that there will be no opportunity for repentance. Various authorities were presented in consonance with this position. He thought Schwab's testimony of no value, because there was a suspicion of incoherence about it, and he did not believe from the circumstances surrounding Gross, the apparent indifference of his family, their absence when the alleged confession took place, that at any time he believed that death was close at hand, that it was immediately to follow, and that there would be no opportunity for repentance.

portunity for repentance. Mr. Mills thought it exceedingly strange that the deceased and his brother Charles who were in the case together, had taken no steps to settle up their affairs, and he wondered why if the father and son had had the talk about the \$1500 testified to at this trial, that that important testimony was not produced at the first trial. In conclusion Mr. Mills read from the decision of the supreme court in the Westbrook case and clinched his argument by showing up the weak points in testimony for the prosecution. Admitting all that had been offered to be true, he contended that still under the law there was absence of evidence to convince the court beyond a reasonable doubt that at any time Gross believed himself to be in a dying condition.

Mr. Webber followed in brief remarks as to what is meant by "death immediately at hand" and urged that the evidence be admitted. He thought the prosecution had made out a *prima facie* case.

RULED OUT.
Judge Hughes had paid close attention to the argument on both sides but was not visibly affected by Mr. Buckingham's pathetic picture. He called for the original copy of the statement taken down by Clements, and then took up the decision of the supreme court in the Westbrook case. He briefly disposed of the testimony offered by stating that some of it was open to suspicion, because of the singular fact that it should be presented after the lapse of a year when its importance must have been realized at the first trial. He thought that the People had failed to show that at any time Gross believed he was going to die, that death was close at hand, and that therefore under the rule, as clearly defined by the supreme court in the very case now on trial, he could not admit the evidence, and it would be kept from the jury. The Judge added that he thought that Gross believed that the wound he had received would ultimately cause his death, but there was no evidence to his mind that he believed he would die immediately.

THE EFFECT OF THE DECISION.
The exclusion of the declarations of Gross from the jury is one that the attorneys battled for at the first trial, and now that the statements are thrown out, it goes without saying that there will not be a death sentence at this trial. Friends of the prisoner hope for an acquittal, but there are many who believe that he will get 14 years for manslaughter. No doubt the defense will put Westbrook on the stand to tell his story of the stabbing. He has claimed almost from the start that Gross fell on the knife as both fell to the ground.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4.
Owing to the absence of Blue Mound witnesses the trial was not resumed until after 11 o'clock.

The prosecution again put Dr. J. G. Harvey, of Blue Mound, on the stand. He repeated his account of the condition and treatment of Gross. He said the wound was about 2½ inches in depth; I probed the wound with my finger; think there was no foreign matter on my finger; did not use any force with my finger, but used it gently and with care; I think it was the proper way to examine it. My opinion was that wound was mortal, and that he would probably die; measured the knife blade; it was 2 5/8 inches; the finger in the neighborhood of 2½ inches. I immediately saw that there was inflammation; inflammation caused by the wound, and possibly by cold; also it might have been caused by his jumping out of the window. I was informed that he jumped out of the window, I think on the next day after he was wounded; somebody told me he jumped out of the window. He was delirious; he was more or less delirious from Monday on. I think Gross' body was straight when he received the wound either while standing or lying down. Drs. Kyrer, Foster and Buck were in consultation with witness and approved his treatment. In my opinion a wound in that locality is dangerous. Don't think there was anything in the treatment that was calculated to accelerate his death. He possibly took a ½ pint of brandy in broken doses—teaspoonful at a time.
Court adjourned until this afternoon, when Mr. Mills began the cross-examination of the witness.

MISS JENNIES MILLER will lecture in Decatur on the evening of February 18.

PERSONAL MENTION.

James Coop was at St. Louis Sunday. Eli Norton, the leading barber at Bethany, was in the city to-day.
Richard Bacon, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is better.
Judge Hughes dined at the Hotel Brunswick to-day with a friend.
Mrs. A. C. Waterhouse is entertaining her friend, Mrs. G. C. Clark, of Chicago.
Will Wood, of Springfield, spent Sunday in Decatur with his parents.
Robt. J. Oglesby is in the city to remain an indefinite period.
M. Lehman and wife, of Argentina, have gone to Lincoln, Neb.
John W. Graham arrived Sunday morning from Louisville to join his wife and remain here several days.
R. E. Pratt is in Chicago on business connected with the grain firm of Pratt & Co. He will remain there an indefinite period.
Miss Mary Waldron and W. H. Brownlee, of Decatur; and Miss Emma Wempe and Herman Slaughter, both of Mowena, have been granted marriage licenses.
President W. H. Wilder, of the Wesleyan, formerly of Decatur, has paid \$4,000 for the Sidney Tuttle residence in Bloomington.
Mrs. Maria Davis of Springfield, grandmother of Mrs. Dr. Ross, is lying dangerously ill. She is 97 years of age and has lived in Sangamon county over 60 years. Mrs. Ross left for Springfield this afternoon.

THERE will be a festival to-night in the hall on Merchant street, given by the lady friends of the Colored Band.

A New License Notion.

In the Illinois Legislature to-day Senator Hamer will introduce an amendment to the present license law, and if it passes he feels confident it will do as much if not more good than last year's. It provides that all monies derived from liquor licenses in cities, towns and villages shall be paid into the county treasury; that the license fee shall be \$5 per annum and not less than \$150 for a license to sell malt liquor; and that no permit may be issued to druggists to sell liquors for medical and scientific purposes only. In a conversation Senator Hamer said that cities and towns issued liquor licenses for the revenue that was in them, and that this revenue was taken away from them they would soon cease to condescend the sale.

"She."

Speaking of this great dramatic production to be given Wednesday night at the opera house, the *Victoria Times* said:
Wm. A. Brady's "She" scored a magnificent success last night, where it was presented for the first time in this city by the Westbrook company. Before the curtain was raised the audience was part of the large building. The scenic effects were grand and called forth rounds of applause. The sinking of the slave ship, the cave of Amabagar, and the experience in the cave, "She's" palace, and the fire were all splendidly managed with vivid spectacular effects. Miss Anna Boyce was a magnificent queen, and "Casane" the tender, loving girl, was perfectly represented by Miss Laura Bieger, as "Job," relieved the weirdly tragic character of the drama and evoked roars of laughter.
The advance sale of reserved seats began this morning at Prescott's.

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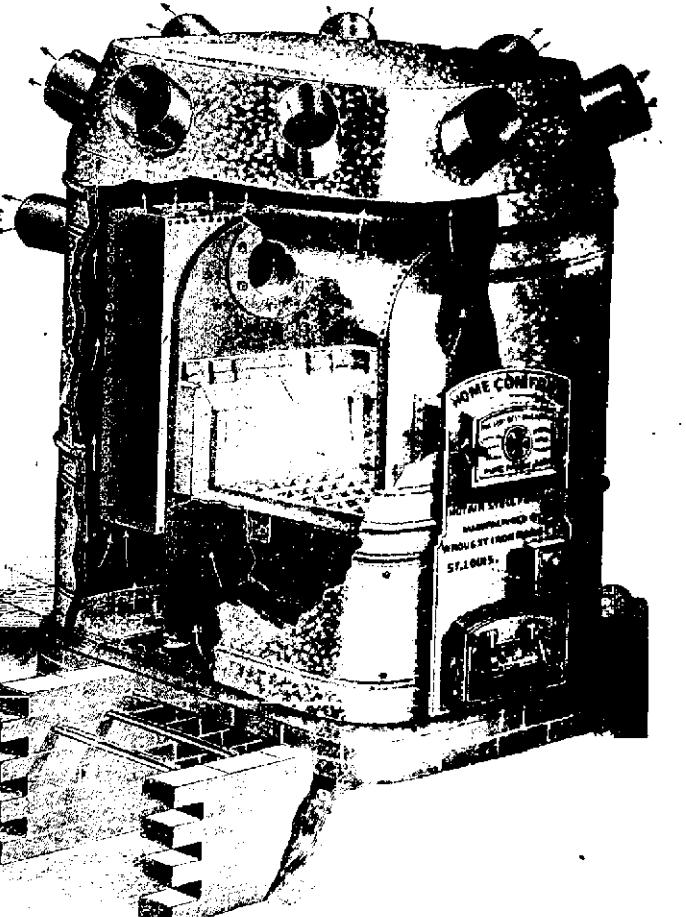
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produce." "I have spoken," said the boy, "and he said he did." "Well, go up in that booth and ask for Miss Smith and tell her I am Johnstone is waiting to see her." "I'll come," she shouted. "You come down." The little fellow did as requested, but when he returned neither man nor bunnie was to be found. There is a gang of such thieves at work on the east side. They have been known to take a pitcher or pennies from a little girl sent after a letter. Another of their tricks is to tell a little boy that his coat is dirty and offer him five cents if he will let them wash it. The fellow will take off his coat and the thief will walk off with it.—New York Sun.

Indian Slavery in Brazil.

Indian slavery is said to have replaced negro slavery in Brazil. Mr. Wells, great Brazilian traveler, says that "the wildest regions of the tributaries of the Amazon basin of India rubber gatherers carry on an iniquitous traffic with many Indian tribes, from whom they seize captives from other tribes. Their lawlessness of their proceedings is so grossly repulsive to the Brazilian government, but over the vast areas in the distant regions through which they roam it is so completely impossible to maintain any show over them."—New York Sun.

A Use for Moral Tributes.

Since there must, or it is thought that must, be moral tributes to address, it is suggested that New York managers of the surplus supply be sent to hospitals where a heading. After doing duty as blinds to the speculators two or three days, they are generally sold for fuel and waste their sweetness on the embureted hydrogen air. Only let them sent before they are too far gone.—Chicago Herald.

They Coaxed Her.

Aunt—Mina, what has become of your beautiful curls? You have not any left.

Mina—You see, the cavalry regiment that has been stationed here has been ordered away, and I had to give each my admirer's lock of hair.—Texas Sings.

He Thought It Was Shortcake.

Bearlie—Strawberry shortcake, Ma Stewart.

Mrs. Stew.—No, Mr. Pickle; it is plain strawberry cake.

Bearlie—Oh, I thought it was strawberry shortcake, and find my piece rather short of berries.—New York Sun.

Visiting Shakespeare's Birthplace.

Of the 16,000 persons who have visited Shakespeare's birthplace during the year 1890 were Americans, thirty-nine nationalities being represented in all. The amount derived from the visitors' fees about \$4,000 a year.—Boston Transcript.

Pipes for Anybody.

Citizen (to stranger)—What are you politics, my friend?

Stranger—I have no politics this time.

The leader of a brass band.—New York Sun.

"Volunteers"

It is said that head headed Indians belonging to Omaha, the pipe that civilized civilization is thought to be responsible for.

"Volunteers" is a new word used designate the man who wears garnet entirely of wool.

In 1773 Clementine Reid published newspaper in Virginia.

A Scrap of Paper Saves Her Life

It was just an ordinary scrap of wrapping paper, but it saved her life. She was in the last stages of consumption and weighed 140 pounds. The future doctor and could live only a short time; weighed less than seventy pounds; a piece of wrapping paper she received Dr. King's New Discovery, and got up. The scrap of paper helped her buy a large bottle, it helped her more, but another and grew better fast, continue use and is now strong, healthy, weighing 140 pounds. Fuller paid the stamp to W. H. Cole, Druggist, Smith, Texas. Trial bottles of this wonderful Discovery free at J. A. Swengert's Drug Store.

Come and Look at Them.

15000 yards French Satens, handsome silks, of our own importation, opened.
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IN search of a firm-class in insurance can find what they want in the "Home Comfort" Range sold Morehouse, Wells & Co. One of the housekeepers in the city says: "We have bought a lot of goods from you, we get a 'Home Comfort' range in house."
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Born Jersey Suite at Shinn's.

quy or only fairly active. Money is abundant and the market is generally quiet. The demand for exceptions at St. Paul, where a slight strike is observed, and Omaha, where the demand is active; and Milwaukee, where the rail rates threaten to cause some factories. From nearly all quarters it is reported that the foreign exchange rate is considered very low. At New York the car-drivers' strike so quickly interrupts business for the time. The foreign exchange rate is considered very low. The rate of silver and silver certificates for the week exceeding last year's by 15 per cent while the imports at New York increase only one percent. The treasury notes for the week of the rapid return of silver and silver certificates, that of these funds \$2,900,000 less for the circulation than a week ago, but the circulation of legal tenders is increased to \$1,800,000, and of legal tenders \$100,000. Foreign exchanges are unbusinessed, and no signs appear of foreign business failures during the last seven days of the month for the United States, 291; Canada, 292; and Europe, 293. The corresponding week of last year was 293 for the corresponding week of last year.

The Railroad Situation in the West Somewhat Improved.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Judge Colver, a Colonel Morrison, of the Foster-St. Paul Commercial Commission, stopped at the city a few hours yesterday on their way from St. Paul to Washington. Colonel Morrison said they had heard no complaints nor done any business with the railroad certificates. The present situation in the West seemed to be somewhat improved.

Life Sentence for Murder.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Feb. 2.—A. A. Wright was yesterday sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of his mother, Mrs. Wright.

Barber & Baker to Retire from the Shoe Business.

As we have decided to retire from the shoe business, we have concluded to offer our entire stock of Good Shoes and Rubber City a few hours at less than cost, as we desire to close it out as soon as possible. Come and secure bargains while the stock is complete. **BARBER & BAKER**
Jan 22-daw

Pay Your Taxes.

The taxes for the year 1898 are now due and the time for collecting is the same is short, all persons knowing the selves indebted for taxes are requested to call at my office, (with Mills Bros.), at the store of Lind & Scroggie, and pay the same at 9 o'clock. **H. MAHANNAH, Jr.**
Jan 21-daw Collector

The New Cabinet.

Very few of the many applicants could get a place in the cabinet. But even though they get a bargain in the cabinet, they will be disappointed. Call at my office, (with Mills Bros.), at the store of Lind & Scroggie, and pay the same at 9 o'clock. **H. MAHANNAH, Jr.**
Jan 21-daw Collector

Still Another Lot of NEW CLOAKS,
one-third less in price than early Fall prices. All Prices,
and 20 per cent. cheaper than was ever before.

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MORRISON, WALLS & Co. are constantly receiving new patterns in Wool, Iron and Slate Mantels, Vestibule Hearth Tiles, Fine Brass Fenders, 1 Sets, and anything pertaining to the home. No larger or more complete assortment can be found elsewhere. d&w

Corsets
greatly reduced in price at
jani 21-daw **LINN & SCROGGIE**

Don't wait, the goods are going fast. Cut-line, 15 cents, or suits for teamsters \$1.50. Fur caps \$2 to \$2.50 for \$1.00 at the Close Sale now in progress at John Lewis White Front. jani 14-daw

Tax Court Horse Restaurant has been greatly enlarged and improved. The new building is a fine room. Rates as low as decent accommodations could be afforded at. Come and see m. 139 Broadway, Water street. **W. A. COBURN**
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The Blue-Grass Shop will repeat a catalogue of cheap, cheaper than when you remember this. Repeat the catalogue. March 4-daw

HENRY BROS. make the largest lot of home made bread of any in the bread delivered promptly anywhere desired. nov 23-daw

BREUNER, CARRAGE, Carts and Wagon 27-27-daw **BREUNER & OAKS,** 241 and 245 East William street

They a lot of that clean suit not sold by F. B. Caldwell at \$1.75 per pair. jani 14-daw

WOOD PUMPS, Chain Pumps, 1 Horse Pumps, for sale at Special 14-daw **FOR PUMPS.** Feb 16-daw

LINN & SCROGGIE have reduced prices on Corsets.

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Special Tax Notice.

In the matter of the levy and assessment
 special taxes for the paving of North W
 street from the north rail of the tracks of
 besh, St. Louis & Pacific R. R. to the north
 of Hickler street.

Notice is hereby given to all persons inter-
 ested, that the City Council of the city of Decatur,
 having ordered the paving of North Water street
 from the north rail of the tracks of the Wash-
 ngton & Pacific R. R. to the north line
 of Hickler street in the city of Decatur, have
 applied to the County Court of Macon county
 to lay the assessment of the cost of such
 improvement, except the street and alley
 sections and crossings, upon the abutting
 property according to frontage, and an assess-
 ment thereof having been made and returned to
 court, the final hearing thereof will be held on
 the February Term, 1888, of said court. All
 assessments may be paid and there appear
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Decatur, Illinois, January 17th, 1888.
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A Dog, crossing a bridge over a stream with a piece of fish in his mouth, saw his own shadow in the water, and took it for that of another dog, with a piece of meat double his own in size. He therefore let go his own, and fiercely attacked the other Dog, to get his larger piece from him. He thus lost both. — *Heslop's Fables.*

IT ALWAYS PAYS TO hold on to a good thing. People who have tried Santa Claus Soap hold on to it because it is good. Some may think that because there are so many in bulk for the money, that they are up with rosin. When quality is sacrificed for price, it is not cheap at any price. Santa Claus Soap is sold by all grocers. It is made only by **K & CO., Chicago, Ill.**

You Hungry

Spring medicine means more now—a day's gain than did ten years ago. The winter of 1896-97 has strengthened the blood purified, liver and bowels regulated. Palm's Cherry Compound is the spring medicine of to-day—does all the work as nothing else can. Prescribed by Physicians Recommended by Legists, Endorsed by Ministers. Quoted by the Manufacturers to be

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"The year of 1897 was all run down. I would get up at the morning, when we were leaving, and it was weak that I could hardly stay up. I thought the best of Palm's Cherry Compound, and I had taken it a week before I began to feel better. I can cheerfully recommend this medicine to building up and strengthening my system." MRS. R. A. HOWE, Burlington, Vt.

LACTATED FOOD *Nourishes babies perfectly. The Physician's favorite.*

Chanery Notice.
STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
MACON COUNTY, ss.
In the Circuit Court to the June Term, A. D. 1898.
Advises of the non-residence in this State of Emma Mixell, the defendant in the above entitled cause, having been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit court of said county. This is hereby given, to said Emma Mixell, that she should answer her bill in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit court of said county, since filed, with due haste, under penalty of default, and that a summons thereupon issued of said court against the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next term of said court, to be held at the County Jail in the city of Decatur, in said county, on the first Monday in the month of June, A. D. 1898, shall be and appear on the first day of said session of said court, and plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same will be taken as true, and a decree rendered thereon in her favor thereof.
Dated Decatur, Ill., January 7, 1898.
R. E. MCCELLAN, Clerk.
B. J. STREETER, Sol. for Complainant.
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